

OTTAWA JEWISH BULLETIN & REVIEW



Isaac Stern, Audrey Freiman, Maureen Forrester and Louis Rasminsky are pictured together at the Luncheon at the National Arts Centre on January 19 inaugurating the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation Scholarship Fund in the name of Lawrence Freiman. The income from the investment of the Fund will be used to assist talented students of the arts in Israel.

CICF Scholarship Fund Established

by Gaye Applebaum

On Thursday, January 19, more than 200 persons, many of them celebrities, attended the Isaac Stern-Lawrence Freiman Luncheon at the National Arts Centre. The Luncheon launched the Lawrence Freiman Scholarship Fund, under the auspices of the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation, which will assist talented students of the arts in their studies, in Israel.

The Lawrence Freiman Scholarship Fund has accumulated \$18,000 to date, from many contributors across the country. Bernard Shinder, chairman of the Ottawa Branch of the CICF, asserted that the dual purpose fund was significant for both Canada and Israel.

The money contributed will be invested in Canada, and the annual interest will serve as a constant and perpetual nourishment for talent in Israel. This should produce five or six annual scholarships for young artists in Israel.

Mr. Shinder hopes that the Lawrence Freiman Scholarship Fund will be the first of an eventual network of similar funds established throughout the country that will enable more students to have continued study opportunities at the same time as it will strengthen cultural contact between the peoples of Canada and Israel.

Roberts Announces Official Visit to Israel

The Secretary of State, John Roberts, brought best wishes from the Government of Canada to the Freimans. In response to the expressed need for a greater cultural contact between Canada

and Israel, Mr. Roberts announced that it is with this purpose in mind that he will be making an official visit to Israel during the parliamentary Easter break, when he hopes to lay the foundation for, if not actually finalize and sign, a cultural agreement between Canada and Israel. This important document would provide considerable exposure to and reciprocity of the arts in both Canada and Israel, both for accomplished artists and for young students, in all disciplines.

The announcement was given enthusiastic support by all present. The Secretary of State saw "no conflict between the kind of love and affection we have for Israel and the kind of love and affection we have for Canada... not a question of divided loyalties but of shared values between our two societies and communities."

In a lighter vein, Maureen Forrester, co-chairman for the Luncheon, along with Louis Rasminsky, digressed before her introduction of the guest speaker, Isaac Stern, and announced that the day was special not only as a tribute to Lawrence Freiman, but was also a birthday party for his wife Audrey. She asked all present to join her in a resounding happy birthday chorus.

Stern: Scholarships Most Important

Isaac Stern, in Ottawa for two performances with the National Arts Centre Orchestra, is currently chairman of the Board of Directors of the America-Israel Cultural Foundation, an organization he helped found several decades ago. He explained his commitment and concern for the furtherance of cultural op-

portunities for the people of Israel and especially the young of Israel who have "an enormous greed almost — a need for cultural stimulus" that "total need...for living a civilized, civilizational life, with all the attributes, with all the disciplines of the arts."

He is convinced that scholarship funds are the single most important work of the Foundation, creating a unique responsibility for "almost the total cultural fabric of a nation". This kind of contribution is "particularly fruitful in Israel because it...lives with the civilizing factors of the world as a very important and necessary part of their daily lives." It is these factors which have helped produce an enormous reservoir of talent far out of proportion to their size and numbers.

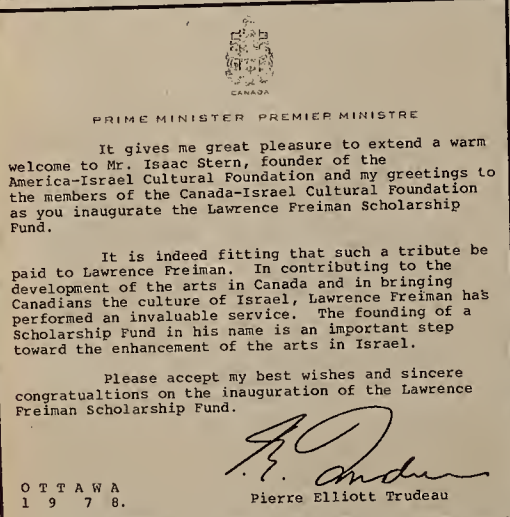
For Isaac Stern, the cultural achievements of a nation are its real value — the most important contribution Israel can make to the area. In the final analysis it is the culture of the area that will let people live together. Perhaps, he reflected, the day would come when AICF (and by implication CICF) would be able to provide scholarships for young Arab students of the arts as well.

Unable to be present for the day's proceedings due to a respiratory condition, Lawrence Freiman listened to Louis Rasminsky's summation of the event and the expressions of affection it elicited for the honoree, via telephone hookup. Louis Rasminsky praised the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation's choice for this deserving honour and read the citation that the CICF presented to Lawrence Freiman. The guests listened to an amplified expression of gratitude from a deeply moved if somewhat distant Lawrence Freiman.

Irving Layton Here on Feb. 6

Irving Layton, renowned Canadian poet, will do readings from his latest collection of poems, "THE COVENANT," on Monday evening, February 6, in the Medical School Auditorium at the University of Ottawa. This event is being sponsored by the Jewish Students Union and will be chaired by Professor Seymour Mayne.

Members of the community are invited to attend. The admission charge is 50 cents for students, \$1.50 for non-students.



PRIME MINISTER PREMIER MINISTRE

It gives me great pleasure to extend a warm welcome to Mr. Isaac Stern, founder of the America-Israel Cultural Foundation and my greetings to the members of the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation as you inaugurate the Lawrence Freiman Scholarship Fund.

It is indeed fitting that such a tribute be paid to Lawrence Freiman. In contributing to the development of the arts in Canada and in bringing Canadians the culture of Israel, Lawrence Freiman has performed an invaluable service. The founding of a Scholarship Fund in his name is an important step toward the enhancement of the arts in Israel.

Please accept my best wishes and sincere congratulations on the inauguration of the Lawrence Freiman Scholarship Fund.

Pierre Elliott Trudeau

Shabbaton for Teens Feb. 3-4

Teenagers from Ottawa, Montreal, Toronto and Kitchener are gathering here in Ottawa for a Shabbaton Experience this February 3 and 4.

The purpose of the weekend is two-fold: first, to give Jewish teens a chance to meet each other and secondly, to provide a format for an authentic Jewish Experience, where they can explore, experience, and even question basic Jewish values.

The program includes keynote sessions on such topics as Changing Morality Today, The Jewish Student in a Secular Society— Can We Survive?, Modern Women and Judaism —

Are They Compatible?, and The Messiah — A Real Idea. Panel discussions, singing, dancing and catered meals are included in the activities.

Saturday night there is a Melaveh Malkah party beginning at 8:00, with a movie, band and dancing.

The cost per student is \$15.00 for the weekend. The program is being sponsored by the Jewish Students High School Organization and Young Israel of Ottawa. It takes place at the Synagogue, 627 Kirkwood Ave. For further information, contact Haskel Bahar or Sue Tradburks.

Personalia Column to Appear

Beginning with the next issue, the Bulletin & Review will publish births, marriages, engagements, deaths and similar items of a personal nature which are submitted in writing by members of the community. The paper appears every two weeks.

The editors believe that the introduction of a "personalia column" will add reader interest and invite your participation. Address your item to Ottawa Jewish Bulletin & Review, 151 Chapel Street, Ottawa, Ontario. K1N 7Y2.



Simon Reisman



Dr. Sylvia Ostry

Officers of the Order of Canada

The entire Jewish community extends its congratulations and best wishes to Dr. Sylvia Ostry and to S. Simon Reisman on their appointment as Officers of the Order of Canada.

Vaad Report

by Gilbert Greenberg

President, Ottawa Vaad Ha'Ir
(Jewish Community Council)



Appeal to U.J.A. Donors

This is a special appeal to donors large and small who have not yet redeemed their pledges to the 1977 United Jewish Appeal Campaign. Although collections are more or less on a par with previous years, like all of us, our beneficiary agencies are feeling the crunch of higher costs and cash flow shortages. This is especially true in Israel where inflation has added to the burden of housing, social welfare and all other costs. The Canadian picture speaks for itself.

While pledges are great, only cash can convert promises into programs. If you have a balance outstanding, please make a special effort to pay your pledge tomorrow. If the full amount is a strain, send half or even a quarter. Better still, divide the contribution into as many as ten or twelve instalments. Make out a series of post-dated cheques and send them in to the office. I do it myself and it works. I hope we will hear from you.

Long-Range Planning Committee

In communal terms, long-range planning is the process by which the organized Jewish community identifies its institutional and service needs for the next ten to twenty years through study and examination of the factors involved and consultation with the people and organizations affected. Such a process has been initiated with respect to the future of the Jewish Community Centre building at Rideau and Chapel Streets.

The structure which now houses the Jewish Community Centre, Congregation Beth Shalom and the Central Branch of Hillel Academy was planned in the 1940's. It was a different community in those days, smaller, with the heaviest concentration in the Lower Town and Sandy Hill areas. There were, of course, clusters of families in other parts of the city and some movement to the West End had begun but few people foresaw the way in which the city would spread after the end of the war.

At the time, the goals seemed clear enough. What was needed was a central building which, in the interests of economy, would incorporate the community school, facilities for young peoples' activities, and a new synagogue brought about by the merger of the then existing Adath Jeshurun and Agudath Achim Congregations. Leaders of these groups met, reached agreement and set into motion machinery for the financing and construction of the complex which exists today.

The building was constructed in three stages. The first, comprising the auditorium and meeting rooms below, was opened in 1951. The second, containing the synagogue and the superstructure of the gymnasium beneath was completed in 1956. The last unit, opened in 1960, included the school wing, administrative offices for the Vaad, the Centre and the United Jewish Appeal, and the complete health and physical education plant of the Jewish Community Centre. A formula for the division of maintenance costs based on the area occupied by each of the partners was worked out and has been in effect since then. The real estate is owned by the Centre but contractual arrangements exist which give the other occupants leasehold rights for a 99-year period.

Things have changed in the intervening years and pressures have been building for a re-examination of the entire complex.

The Vaad is involved because of the central role it plays in community planning. There are long-range financial implications here which may require total mobilization of the community's resources. With this in mind, we have asked Norman Zagerman to take on the chairmanship of a Committee on Long-Range Planning which includes representatives of the Centre, Beth Shalom and the Talmud Torah Board as well as the Vaad.

The issue to be addressed is the future of the Chapel Street building. No one is suggesting that 151 Chapel Street has out-lived its usefulness. Quite the contrary. It is a good building which has been well-maintained and which would be costly to replace. At the same time, problems have surfaced which have to be faced and decisions must be made to enable communal growth and continuity in the years to come.

Norman Zagerman has held two meetings of his committee so far. He tells me that both have been characterized by good thinking and respect for the position of each organization. There is a desire to co-operate, recognizing of course, that there are differences of approach which have to be reconciled.

According to Norman, the meeting of January 12 agreed that the first thing for the occupants of the building to do would be to put their positions into writing. The focus is to be on three possible alternatives:

1. What are the optimum needs of each tenant?
2. If one or two of the others were to move, what use could each make of the vacated premises?
3. Assuming that all three occupants remain, what additional space and facilities would he needed to enable them to conduct viable programs for the next fifteen or twenty years.

The briefs are to be ready by the end of February. At that point in time, it will be determined what further investigation will be necessary. You will be kept informed.

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Haifa Prof. Coming Here

The Canadian Technion Society, Ottawa Chapter, invites the entire community to hear Professor Uri Shamir of the Haifa Technion. His topic will be "The Role of the Technion in Israel's Development," with the focus on water resources and solar energy.

Professor Shamir is presently on sabbatical leave from the Technion and is at the University of Toronto. While there he has been engaged by the Canadian government for special research. The Ottawa Chapter has chosen to support a Solar Energy Research Project at the Haifa Technion, and this meeting with Shamir will aid in informing members about their project.

The meeting will take place Sunday, February 12 at 8:00 p.m. in the Adult Lounge of the Jewish Community Centre. Light refreshments will be served. There will be no solicitation of funds.

Life Members

For \$100, Hillel Lodge, Ottawa's Jewish Home for the Aged, is prepared to designate individuals as life members and to inscribe the members' names on a plaque in the Lodge.

Further information about this program can be obtained by contacting Sadie Silverman, Chairman of Life Memberships. Her telephone numbers are 234-1776 (days) or 235-2059 (evenings).

To date, there are 97 life members of Hillel Lodge.

Tourism Up

More Canadians visited Israel in the first 10 months of 1977 than in the whole of 1976. Asher Rahav, director for Canada, Israel Government Tourist Office, has announced.

A total of 30,874 Canadian tourists visited Israel from Jan. 1 through Oct. 31, 1977 a 25 per cent increase over the same period of 1976.

"Israel expects a record one million visitors this year, and we project an even larger number in 1978, our 30th anniversary year," Rahav explained.

"This factor, linked with the hopefully successful moves toward a permanent Middle East settlement, should have very positive effects in encouraging increased tourism to Israel in 1978."

The government's decision to float the Israel pound will have many benefits for tourists, he explained.

The decision to let the Israel pound find its own value in relation to other currencies has resulted in tourists receiving approximately 50 per cent more Israel money for their dollars. Thus, the costs of local transportation, meals, souvenirs, gifts and other expenses have been reduced in real terms — despite some price increases in the country since the new economic policy came into effect.

"Israel hotel prices and international air fares, paid in dollars are not affected," Rahav added.

Tourists are also exempt from the 12 per cent Value Added Tax (VAT) on hotel bills, rented cars, sight-seeing tours and domestic flights if they pay in dollars. The former 28 per cent tax on hotel bills paid in Israel currency has been cancelled.



Implements Letter of Intent

Bernard Shinder, President of the Ottawa Jewish Community Endowment and Bequest Foundation presents a plaque to Laz Mirsky, Chairman of the Foundation Development Committee, acknowledging the implementation by him of a Letter of Intent which will benefit the foundation in perpetuity.



Ottawa Vaad Hakashruth Announcement on Rideau Bakery Products

This is to inform you that Rideau Bakery bread is now under the official supervision of the Ottawa Vaad Hakashruth. No bread is baked on the Sabbath and the bread is made in accordance with Jewish Law. Challah is taken daily at the plant. Look for the OVH insignia on the plastic bags of the following Rideau Bakery products, all of which are "Pareve":

All Bread and Challah
All Rolls and Buns
Pecan Rolls

Cinnamon Buns
Coffee Bread

We urge you to show your appreciation to Rideau Bakery for this major contribution to the Kashruth of our community by patronizing Rideau Bakery products.



SHALOM! Welcome to Ottawa

The Jewish Community Council and its Shalom Welcome Service are pleased to greet the following Newcomers to Ottawa and to wish them and their families happiness and fulfillment in their new home.

Marilyn and Stanley Barkovitz

Rivqa Cohen

Esther and Jack Lecker

Avalee and Ronald Prehogan

Heather and Lenny Ritter

Helen and Ed Shapiro

Valerie and George Stawicki

This is the second listing of new arrivals since the Shalom Welcome Service began functioning in September. Other names will be published from time to time. If you know of anyone who should be on this list, please call Susannah Dalfen at 725-1662 or Gittel Tatz at 232-7306.

Dry Bones



Extend Invitation To Israel-Bound Ottawans

Larry and Ella Harris have written from Kibbutz Beit Hashita to invite members of the Jewish community to visit with them when next in Israel. The Bulletin is pleased to reprint their letter of January 8 addressed to Hy Hochberg.

Kibbutz Beit Hashita — 18910
Tel.: 065-81221-F

Dear Hy,

Ella and I would like to first wish you and the staff at the J.C.C. a Healthy and Happy New Year. Since returning to Israel we have been receiving the Bulletin and have been visited by several members of the community. Steven Malek and Bob Gold are here with us and are doing well.

We are writing in order to stress our offer that you and the Mission visit with us during your next stay in Israel. We would like you to plan for a stay of approx. 4 hrs.

which includes lunch, a guided tour and discussion with leading members of the Kibbutz. There is also entertainment by Ella and her group here. If you are interested and wish further information we will be glad to send you a more detailed itinerary.

We would also like to take this opportunity to extend our invitation to any member of the Ottawa Jewish Community who wishes to receive an inside look at a Kibbutz and does not have the opportunity to do so.

Our regards to everyone.

Larry and Ella

Endowment & Bequest Foundation Donations

The Board of Directors of the Ottawa Jewish Community Endowment & Bequest Foundation acknowledges with thanks the receipt of contributions to the following Funds, since publication of the last lists on January 6:

ALEX BETCHERMAN MEMORIAL FUND

By Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baker; Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Beiles; Mr. and Mrs. Hy Bessin; Employees of Betcherman Iron & Metal Co. Ltd.; Mr. Max Boritzer, Yonkers, N.Y.; Mrs. Clara Brunberg; Mrs. Mildred Drazin; Valerie Eisen; Rabbi and Mrs. Oscar Z. Fasman, Skokie, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Ben B. Levin; Liberty Smelting Works (1982) Ltd., St. Jerome, Que.; Lithwick Bros.; Mrs. and Mrs. David Molot; Philipp Bros. (Can.) Ltd., Montreal; Mrs. and Mrs. Bernard Putterman, Windsor; Mr. and Mrs. David Radnoff; and B. Richler Metal Ltd., Montreal.

EDGAR MARKS MEMORIAL FUND

By Mr. and Mrs. Jules Loeb,

Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. David Molot; and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Pearl.

ETHEL RIVERS MEMORIAL FUND

In honour of the engagement of Howard Osterer to Ellen Rivers, by Sid and Betty Finkelman.

KOVOD FUND

In memory of Mrs. Jean Shmelzer by Mr. and Mrs. David Dover; and Mr. and Mrs. David Molot.

In honour of John Tavel on having been named a Queen's Counsel, by Barbara, Len, Stevie and Michael Farber; Libby, Stan, David and Andy Katz.

Contributions may be sent to the Foundation at 151 Chapel Street, Ottawa, Ontario K1N 7Y2. All are income tax exempt. Notifications and acknowledgements are sent to all concerned in the form of attractive cards and letters.

Business Community Shows Increased Confidence as Bonds Hit Peak Sales

1977 cash receipts of the Israel Bond Organization, which is the major source of funds for the economic development of Israel, amounted to a record figure of \$331,540,000, it was announced by Sam Rothberg, General Chairman, and Michael Arnon, President.

The proceeds for last year showed an increase of more than \$20 million over 1976. In each of the last three years, Israel Bond receipts reached a higher figure than the previous year. Total sales since the launching of the first Israel Bond issue in 1951 amounted to \$3.85 billion, of which Israel has already repaid more than \$1.7 billion in redemptions.

Declaring that the 1977 total was the largest in the history of the Israel Bond Organization with the exception of the year of the Yom Kippur War (1973) Mr. Rothberg said it was "indicative of a high degree of solidarity with the

people of Israel and a recognition of the decisive impact of Israel Bonds on Israel's economic progress and hopes for peace."

Mr. Rothberg added that during the past twenty-six years the Israel Bond Organization has been the principal source of outside funds for the promotion of every phase of the country's economic development, providing more than one-third of Israel's Development Budget for the expansion of industry and agriculture, the construction of highways and harbours, communications, transport, the development of new sources of energy, and the creation of jobs for new immigrants.

Mr. Arnon observed that a substantial portion of the increased 1977 results was due to wider participation of institutional purchasers including banks, pension funds, labour unions, and commercial, educational, and religious organizations. The

general business community accounted for more than 25 per cent of the Israel Bond receipts last year, he said.

During the year, Mr. Arnon reported, Jewish communities centered much of their Bond effort around celebrations of the tenth anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem.

"As we begin 1978, we are conscious of the fact that Israel Bonds have a crucial role to play in building economic foundations for peace, just as they had an important part in strengthening the economy of Israel as it faced the challenges of hostility and war," he declared.

The first issue of Israel Bonds was floated in the United States in May, 1951. In 1953 the Israel Bond Organization began a programme of expansion and established branches in Western Europe, Canada, and other countries in the free world.

Agudath Israel to Hear the Brooks'

The Agudath Israel Men's Club Sunday Morning Breakfast on February 5 will have as their guest speakers Toby and David Brooks.

Toby and David are an Ottawa couple who spent several months

travelling in Eastern Europe looking for remnants of the Jewish culture. In so doing, they met and talked with people who are trying to be practicing Jews in Poland, Czechoslovakia and Hungary. Conditions for Jews differ among

these countries, and therefore, so do the problems faced by the remaining Jewish communities.

Services begin at 9.30 a.m., breakfast and programme at 10.15. All adults are welcome, both men and women.

Reach Halfway Mark in Campaign for Funds to Build Holocaust Memorial

Contributions to the Holocaust Memorial Campaign have reached a total of \$23,500, according to William Grossman and Moshe Feig, Co-Chairmen of the Campaign and Mendel Good and Harry Hecht, Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Jewish Community Council's Holocaust Committee.

Almost 100 new contributions have been received by mail since the last report in the Bulletin two weeks ago. The total number of donors now stands at 260. While this is an impressive number, campaign officials point out that it represents only about 10 per cent of the total number of families in the Jewish community.

They are convinced that many more families and individuals intend to lend their support but simply have not gotten around to sending in a subscription. The objective all along has been to get wide community involvement with less emphasis on the amounts and more on the numbers of participants.

At the same time, the leadership group is pleased that roughly half the goal has been reached and they are confident that by the time the drive concludes, the full amount of \$50,000, will have been realized.

In the meantime, preparations for the official dedication of the Holocaust Memorial on Sunday

morning, May 7 have begun. A leading Canadian figure has been invited to participate and a response is expected shortly.

Planners of the program are also thinking of publishing a souvenir booklet on that occasion which will contain the names of all contributors without specifying any amounts.

As indicated earlier, all donations are income tax exempt. They may be paid in two annual instalments. Subscriptions have ranged in size from \$36 (\$18 per year for two years) to \$1,000 (\$500 per year for two years).

A subscription form for those who still need it is reprinted elsewhere on this page.

OTTAWA JEWISH COMMUNITY HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL PROJECT

151 CHAPEL STREET, OTTAWA, ONTARIO K1N 7Y2

SUBSCRIPTION FORM

I/we wish to participate in the establishment of a Holocaust Memorial in tribute to the Six Million Martyrs.

My/our contribution is \$..... per year for one year; for two years;

For a total of \$

Instalment enclosed \$

Balance \$

Date

Signature

Address

Print full name

Please make cheques payable to "Ottawa Jewish Community Endowment & Bequest Foundation" and mark "Holocaust Memorial Project" in corner. Tax receipts will be provided.

Clip and Mail



Jewish Community Centre Spotlights



Reflections

by Jerry Melman
Executive Director, JCC

The Centre As a Commodity: Bull or Bear

I recently returned from Florida where I met with fellow colleagues from other Centres in North America. Our discussions were lively and relevant to the many problems we all face working with the Jewish Community. In listening to the experts available to us and by sharing common problems, certain trends were evident to us and will have an impact in coming years. One of these trends I would like to share with you.

Within the past two years, the developments of JCC's have continued to be reflective of the changes occurring in the broader society.

The Jewish population which continues to be concentrated in the urban centres of society has become, in many instances, more dispersed around the cities. This has meant that there are new places where Jews live which are not yet communities, and old places which were communities but have little resemblance to what they once were. This trend is evident around the East Coast of the States and has been reflected in name changes made by Centres and Federations as well. Thus, the Newark "Y" became the Essex County "Y" and is now the Y of the YWHA of Metro New Jersey. The Camden JCC is now the JCC of Southern New Jersey. The Western Connecticut JCC was the Waterbury JCC. The Jewish Community Centre of Miami is now the Jewish Community Centers of South Florida.

Beyond name changes, the JCC's have been required to develop branches, satellites and outreach programs specifically designed to provide service to these new concentrations of Jews who are at a distance from the main facilities.

The concept of regionalization which has emerged on a larger scale has taken different forms. The Baltimore JCC is helping a small Jewish group in nearby Columbia, Maryland. In other cases, regionalization has caused the merger of Centres in Brockton and Boston. The Centres in Florida have developed a state wide cooperative approach to Jewish students.

The movement of Jewish population continues to result in the relocation of Centre buildings. In the past two years the following communities have either opened or are constructing new buildings or making major expansions with existing facilities:

Western Connecticut (Waterbury)	Greater Rochester, NY
North Jersey (Wayne)	Baltimore, Maryland
Toledo, Ohio	Edmonton, Alberta
Greater Buffalo	Montreal, Quebec (Laval)
Toronto, Ontario	South Florida (Miami).
Dayton, Ohio	

Moreover, a number of communities are in the planning for fund raising and drafting. These include Stamford, Connecticut, Calgary, Alberta, Englewood, New Jersey, Hamilton, Ontario, Tulsa, Oklahoma and San Antonio, Texas.

Almost all Centres are being planned today, with the exception of those in very small communities, to include a minimum of 70,000 sq. ft. The large communities are constructing building ranging from 100,000 to 200,000 sq. ft.

Apparently, the Jewish communities are bullish on Centres.

Israel Drop In Centre For Young Adults 20-30

The Israeli Drop in Centre at the Histadrut Centre, 292 Laurier East, has been meeting regularly bi-weekly for the past few months. It caters to both students and non-students 20-30 years old. Its goal is to provide a comfortable atmosphere for Jewish adults to meet and mingle and to be exposed to current aspects of Israel and Judaism.

In its very short history the Drop in Centre has come a long way. The programs are successful and as many as 50 people have come down.

The atmosphere is friendly and low keyed. The tables are set up in a coffee house style. People can play backgammon or just talk while in the background there is Israeli music. At around 9:00 the program begins. In the past it has

included a Hannukah party, discussions with speakers, and movies. The cultural program usually centres around a contemporary Jewish aspect, in particular, Israel.

Along with Israeli music it offers Israeli gourmet food from falafel, the Israeli hot dog, to exotic egg plant salads.

The group has received help from Dror-Habonim, JSU and the Labour Zionist Movement. It is organized by Hillel Brustin, the Centre's Israeli shaliach and Jim Shalom.

There are more exciting programs on the way. Details about the group can be obtained from Hillel Brustin at 232-7306 (work), and 225-6557 (home) or Jim Shalom at 741-2164.

Teen Action At the Centre

Sleigh Ride
February 4

Remember our sleigh ride coming up Saturday night, February 4th. We meet at the Jewish Community Centre at 8:00 p.m. and from there we head off to the Sundance Ranch for an evening of snow and fun.

Cost: Members, \$2.00
Non-members, \$3.00

BBYO Casino Night
February 18

The BBYO annual Casino Night Dance, February 25. This is the event that the whole Teen community waits for. Prizes, fun and dancing in a Las Vegas setting. 8:00 p.m. at the J.C.C.

STAGGER INN Coffee House:
February 25, 1978

Coffee, backgammon, fun and music. Featuring recording artists: "KENNEDY AND MEED".
Time: 8:30 p.m. Free to all.

Teen Workshop
on Jewish Values

Starting in mid-February. This unique event will be cosponsored by NCSY and should prove to be an exciting series for all concerned.

Some areas of interest that will be discussed in the three day workshop include:

- Jewish values on drugs and alcohol.
- The phenomena of inter-dating.
- The Jewish Teen in a secular society.

Refreshments served afterwards. Parents welcome to join in the series. For more information please call Bernie Farber at 232-7306.

Young Adults Dance Feb. 11

All young adults are cordially invited to the February Party, to be called the "Red and White Dance."

The action begins at 9:30 p.m. in the Adult Lounge of the J.C.C. on Saturday, February 11. Cost will be \$2.00, with the first drink free. Persons wearing red and white will receive an additional free drink.

As usual, newcomers to the city are especially welcome.

Young Adults interested in attending a hockey game at the Montreal Forum are asked to call Abe Nadrich at 232-7306. The choices are February 25 — New York Rangers; March 4 — Philadelphia Flyers; March 11 — Los Angeles Kings; March 25 — Washington Capitals.

The approximate cost will be \$16.50. This would include bus transportation and \$7.00 ticket to the game. The bus would leave at approximately 5:00 p.m. to arrive in Montreal at 7:00 and return after the game. If the group can get some cars, some money could be saved and the cost would be reduced to \$8.00 or so.

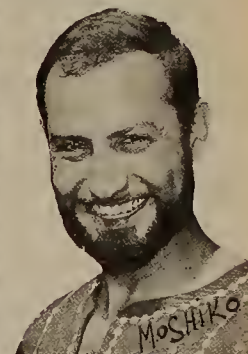
Dizengoff Disco Opens Saturday Night, Feb. 18

On Saturday, February 18 at 9:00 p.m., an Israeli Cafe and Disco opens at the Jewish Community Centre. Featured will be the famed Israeli performer Moshiko. For your money there will be Israeli buffet, falafel, coffee, folk and disco dancing. This is an evening of entertainment by Moshe Itzhak-Halevy, known to the folk-dancing public as Moshiko.

Moshiko is the son of an old Yemenite family in Israel. He was born in Jaffa, Israel (then Palestine), and his first introduction to the world of dance was at the studio of Mia Arbatova.

Moshiko danced for many years as one of the principal dancers of Inbal, the Yemenite dance theatre of Israel. He was also the founder-director-choreographer of "Hapaamonim", the Israeli folk dance company which toured with great success in Israel and in Europe.

For the past few years, Moshiko



Moshiko

has been teaching in the United States where the seeds of his sabra background have blossomed into the stunning dances he choreographs and the music he composes.

Teen Trips to Israel

Hillel Brustin
Staff Coordinator

CANADIAN DEPARTURES (Mirabel Airport)

30th Anniversary Teen Special — 45 days — Grade 10-11

A 2-week extensive tour of Israel, including Jerusalem, Field School, etc., followed by a 4-week unusual kibbutz experience. The participants will be "adopted" by the Grade 10-11 students of Gilboa Area High School in Kibbutz Bet Alpha, and their families, and they will work, live and travel with their Israeli peers. As part of the programme the group, together with the Israelis will prepare a special 30th Anniversary project.

Montreal Departure: July 2nd - August 16th, 1978. Cost: \$1,280

Adventure in Kibbutz — 44 days — Ages 16-17

A unique experience in communal living, including 25 days work in kibbutz, and 17 days of touring, including one week in Jerusalem.

Montreal Departure: June 25th - August 7th, 1978
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Jewish Community Centre Spotlights



Health Club Night February 11

featuring Belly Dancing and Israeli Food

After our first successful health club night last year (pictured here), we are offering you another evening of fun. Last year there were over sixty people who came and enjoyed the festivities. This year's evening is open to the Jewish community with the Health Club member as your host. The other activities will be a fitness class, doubles racquetball, volleyball, and any other activities you would like to do. The evening is co-ed so bring the appropriate attire for shower and sauna. See you on February 11. All newcomers are invited as our guests. Time: 8 pm. No charge.



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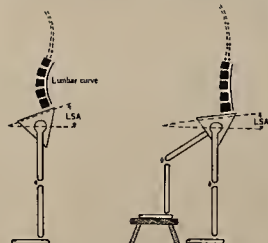
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Physical Education Program

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1978 at 5:00 p.m. East and West

Bad Back Box

Health & Phys. Ed.
Department, J.C.C.



The Bulletin has now published three articles on living with a bad back. The Bad Back Box has considered positions for resting when the back is aching (December 9), sitting positions (January 6), and methods of lifting (January 20). This issue will concentrate on helping the back if one must spend time on his feet just standing.

As the accompanying diagram shows, the greater the degree of "lumbar curve" or arch in the lower back, the greater the likelihood the back will ache. The diagram illustrates an excellent posture for relaxed prolonged standing. A small stool for one foot flexes the hip of that leg, relaxes the muscle in the back, and flattens the lumbar curve. If a stool isn't handy, use the lowest shelf of a kitchen cupboard, a telephone book at the office or in the store, or a stone or log outside.

Next Issue: Protect the back while exercising and jogging to get fit.

Volleyball for Women on Again

On January 17 the first games in the Winter session of the Women's Volleyball League were played. The winners' points were added to the totals for the Fall session, so the standings are now as follows:

Bares
J.C.C. Spikers
Rockettes
Schneiders

The league meets to play every Tuesday, starting with a fitness class at 7:00 p.m., coaching and practice from 7:30 to 8:00, and games from 8:00 to 9:30.

To join, call the Phys. Ed. office. The fee for this last half of the season will be \$7.50.

Weight Control Breakfast Tips

Breakfast is especially important for those wishing to control their weight. One should allow at least 20 minutes to sit down to a properly set table and enjoy the meal. While eating, the dieter can plan the menus and snacks that will help him keep on the diet for the rest of the day.

If in a rut of orange juice, boiled egg and slice of toast (an excellent breakfast, by the way), the dieter might try the following for variety. Each suggestion totals about 150 calories.

1/4 cup of low fat cottage cheese
1/4 cup of bran cereal (1 oz.)
1-3 cup of sliced fresh fruit — (apples or oranges)
or
1-3 cup of canned fruit cocktail — (water packed)
Tea or coffee — no milk or sugar

Gymnastics For 3½-5 Year Olds

Kiddy Gymnastics is a new program for children ages 3½ - 5. The program gives the child a chance to work on apparatus which he normally would not see, such as beams, trampoline, ladders, and bars.

The program has been well accepted, but there is space for a few more children.

The time of the program is Thursday, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Join
the Centre
Today



On Exercise For Health

The Phys. Ed. Department has decided to publish a series of articles on contra-indicated exercises. Each article will describe a calisthenic, usually a well-known, popular one, explain its dangers and give suggestions as to how the move can be altered or changed so as to make it safer and more effective.

For this issue, we will focus on "push-ups" and "chinning-the-bar." Our advice on these activities is taken from an excellent book on fitness by Dr. Lawrence Kavanagh. Although the book "Heart Attack" — Counter Attack was written with post-cardiac patients in mind, its treatment of the principles of getting fit and following a fitness program are very well presented and apply to us all.

On the subject of "push-ups" and "chinning", Dr. Kavanagh writes:

"Certain types of power calisthenics contain an isometric-like component and are to be avoided. Among the most popular of these are "push ups" and "chinning the bar", proficiency in both of which seems to be a measure of fitness, if not masculinity, in the North American male. A problem with these, and indeed all isometric exercises, is that the uninitiated tend to hold their breath while carrying them out. While this may seem to enhance performance in terms of power of lift or number of repetitions, it introduces an element of danger for the person with heart problems. A not uncommon sight in any gymnasium is an exerciser slowly going blue in the face as he attempts to strain himself to the limit. This is due to the fact that in holding his breath, he has closed off his windpipe, and in the course of his exercise is forcing the air in his lungs through the closed valve. This state of affairs is referred to in physiological circles as the "Valsalva manoeuvre". Its effect, like that of the isometric muscle contraction, is to throw a heavy burden on a heart already severely taxed by the particular exercise which is being carried out. Hence power calisthenics, or any physical activity which encourages the Valsalva manoeuvre, is off limits for the individual with cardiac risk problems."

"Does this mean that you must go about your daily activities in constant fear of holding your breath or inadvertently carrying out an isometric muscle contraction? Of course not. As a matter of fact, the more endurance fitness you develop the stronger your heart will get and the more it will be able to resist such stresses and strains. My point is that you should be aware of the dangers of these types of exertions and should not practise them on a regular basis."

For those in good cardio-vascular condition, and without cardiac problems, push-ups and chin-ups may be done, provided you remain alert to signs of strain on the heart muscle, such as "heart flutters", chest pains or dizziness, and stop immediately should such symptoms appear. Also, remember to consciously resist any tendency to hold your breath. Keep up easy, rhythmic breathing whenever you do push-ups or chin-ups. Exercise with care today and you'll be able to exercise tomorrow, too.

Next issue: Deep Knee Bends.

For Floor Hockey League Scoring

	G	A	Pts.
1 Lawrence Moskovice	48	34	82
2 Evan Kimmel	67	8	75
3 Lorne Pollock	42	17	59
4 David Ross	27	31	58
5 Jeff Shinder	35	17	52
6 Gary Goldfield	44	5	49
7 Ron Calof	27	17	44
8 Andy Richter	28	13	41
9 Benjy Broitman	18	16	34
10 Adam Kardash	11	13	24

Jr. League Standings

	G	W	L	GF	GA	Pts.
1 Evan Kimmel's Team	9	6	3	91	91	12
2 Lorne Pollock's Team	10	5	5	101	104	10
3 Jeff Shinder's Team	10	5	5	106	101	10
3 Lawrence Moscovice's Team	9	3	6	102	105	6

Jr. League Goals Against Average

	Per Game	Per Period
1 Jeff Shinder's Team	10.10	3.3667
2 Evan Kimmel's Team	10.11	3.3704
3 Lorne Pollock's Team	10.40	3.46
4 Lawrence Moscovice's Team	11.67	3.88

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Adults Learn Hebrew on Sunday Mornings at JCC

"Nothing is worth getting that comes easy." This well-known expression might be the theme of Ahuva Krieger's Sunday morning adult Hebrew lessons at the Jewish Community Centre.

Mrs. Krieger tosses in a guiding word or two, but insists that students figure out the text themselves. Thus in the past few months every student has mastered the Hebrew print and script.

Instructor Ahuva Krieger loves teaching. She has taught children, teen, and adult classes, tutored converts and youngsters, and worked as Youth Instructor on playgrounds in deprived areas of her Israeli homeland. She learned her trade at the University of Tel Aviv and at Toronto Hebrew Teachers' Seminary.

Anyone who knows the aleph bet may join this class. The next phase focuses on basic grammar and vocabulary through practical usage. Mrs. Bertha Leckie, at 235-0612, is taking names.

This Hebrew class is part of the



Teacher Ahuva Krieger discusses the tsadik sofeed.

Adult Education series of the Ottawa Modern Jewish School, but it is open to all. Registrations are also being taken for a class in Yiddish.

Canada Invites Shcharansky

The following letter from the Department of External Affairs, Canada was received by Ruth Berger, Chairman of the Ottawa Group of 35, in response to her efforts on behalf of Anatoly Shcharansky.

Although his plight has received world-wide attention, Mr. Shcharansky's fate as of this date is still unknown.

Dear Ms. Berger,

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Don Jamieson, has asked me to thank you for taking the time to express your concern about jailed Soviet dissident, Anatoly Shcharansky.

As you are probably aware from the reports in the media, the Secretary of State for External Affairs called in the Soviet Ambassador on December 12, 1977 and made representations to him on behalf of Mr. Shcharansky. He drew the Ambassador's attention to the broad concern being expressed about the case in Canada and said that in the interests of detente and of relations between our two countries, Canada would be prepared to accept Mr. Shcharansky, should the Soviet authorities decide to allow him to leave.

The Government has also met with Mr. Shcharansky's relatives in Canada who are willing to sponsor his admission to this country. The Minister of Employment and Immigration would expedite his entry.

Many people from all walks of life have made representations on behalf of Mr. Shcharansky and we hope that the Soviet authorities will respond positively. In the meantime, the Government will continue to follow this case closely and to press for the acceptance of the human rights principles that are at issue: namely, the freedom to emigrate and the right of an individual to monitor his government's implementation of the Helsinki Final Act. Canada has been one of the most vocal countries on these and other human rights matters at the Belgrade review meeting of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Yours sincerely,
O. A. Christoff
Under-Secretary of State
for External Affairs

Soviet Jewry News

Wasted Years

Only 10% of Jews whom the Soviets imprison for their desire to emigrate to Israel survive to go there. The combined total of all the years Prisoners of Zion have spent in Soviet jails, detention camps and places of exile comes to 6,000 wasted years of human life.

Freezeout in Education

The number of Jewish students in the Soviet Union has been drastically decreasing in recent years. Between 1970 and 1976, it dropped by 37%. In higher education, the figure fell from 105,000 to 60,000 during the six years. The decline in the number of graduate students was even more drastic: from 4,945 to 2,841... a plunge of 42.5%.

Alarming Decline in Jewish Population Forecast in U.S.

by Rabbi Reuven P. Bulka



For the past few decades, people in leadership positions in the Jewish community, usually rabbis, have warned against the dangers of assimilation. Such scare terms as "disappearing Jew", "vanishing Jew", "disappearing Jewish community" have been tossed around to describe, in perhaps exaggerated tones, the dangers which face the North American Jewish community.

Most often the warnings have not been based on scientific projections. Rather they have been based on gut feelings, emotional pulse-taking, and small, but perhaps justified doses of paranoia. Understandably, precisely because there were no hard statistics to buffer the argument, the issue normally fell on deaf ears.

Recently, however, the issue of Jewish survival in North America has been put to the test of statistical projection. Ironically, it turns out that the statistics are worse than the prophets of doom ever imagined. The statistics are part of a study of Elihu Bergman which was published in the October 1977 issue of "Midstream".

Based on an assumed intermarriage rate of 15 per cent, it is anticipated that the Jewish community in the United States by the tri-centennial (2076) would be 944,000. On the more realistic assumption of an assimilation rate rising in stages over the next twenty-five years from 15 per cent to 50 per cent, the population would be 420,000, and if the assimilation rate would reach 50 per cent within ten years and stabilize at that level, which, judging by present trends is unfortunately not an absurd assumption, the sum total of the Jewish population in the United States in 2076 would be, believe it or not, 10,420!

These statistics are so mind-boggling that they seem to fly in the face of realistic projection. After all, is it really possible, even given such a high assimilation

rate, that the American Jewish community would sink to such a low? If it indeed is a prophetic projection, then Jews in the United States would have effectively diminished their numbers by just about six million, which is the worst reaction one could ever imagine to the loss of six million during the Nazi Holocaust.

It is small comfort for us to say that Canada does not move with the same speed as the United States and that though the Jewish population of the United States may diminish, the Canadian population will not. It is even more specious to question the legitimacy of the statistics.

Let us assume the statistics are wrong and the projection is one million off base, or even two million off base. We still have a crisis of major proportions. The crisis is not one of mere numbers. Jews were never a majority of the population. Many philosophers think that their being a minority is part of their destiny, in a positive sense. The crisis inheres in the blatant reality that the Jewish community is not sustaining its spiritual self through the living of a positive affirmation of Judaism. When you consider that in the United States 67 per cent of the population are given no Jewish

education whatsoever, less than 50 per cent are affiliated with shuls, less than 50 per cent contribute to their local federations, and less than 40 per cent have any consistent pattern of ritual practice or have any involvement with Jewish organizations, it is obvious that a great rot has set in.

It is difficult to find answers to this vexing problem. Logically, one would assume that the first step must be reorientation and recommitment of individual members of the Jewish community towards the primacy of Jewish education. Even this is not a guarantee. There are, in fact, no guarantees, but on a broad level, it has been found that for Jewish education to supply the individual child with a positive Jewish identity, the education must span 3,000 hours. This means, on a general basis, that only a day school education, combined with an extension of this education into high school, can adequately infuse a properly affirmative Jewish identity. Obviously there are exceptions in both directions. There are those who may have a positive Jewish identity without this amount of education and those who even with this amount of education have a negative attitude to Jewishness. We deal here not with guarantees nor with precise formulas, but with generalized observations gleaned from the statistics. And, in the author's words, "The day school emerges as the only model capable of providing an effective educational experience within a realistic time span." In other words, attendance at Hillel Academy should be double what it actually is!

Today it is no more the prophets of doom that the community has to reckon with — it is the statisticians of doom. Only by acknowledging that we are all, as individuals and as a community, potentially part of this doomsday prediction will we be able to muster the strength, resources, and energy to prevent the prediction from becoming a reality.

Jewish Bulletin Book Review

by Anne Clark

"The Heart is Half a Prophet" by Ruth Tessler Goldstein, 343 p. \$1.95. Bantam Book, 1977.

Zalman Hirsch is considered both exceptionally poor and exceptionally pious in his section of Brooklyn on the wrong side of the tracks. A once rich man, ruined by depression, he maintains a roof over his head and a rat infested floor under his feet by keeping a minyan going in the synagogue. A proud Hassid, he is yet a man of sensuality and strong appetites.

His wife Malka, a pogrom orphan and a mother whose little boy died in a snowstorm on the way to America, is the one whose heart prophesies the consequences of her despotic husband's treatment of his family. She cannot read or write and only smiles and nods on her visits to the children's school, but she is yet able to search for the essence of religion and to discern the absurdity of her husband's adherence to form and ritual. When finally her son is

driven to the ultimate act of despair, she knows, despite the desperate measures taken to keep her in the dark.

"The Heart is Half a Prophet" is no pretty story with candles on the Sabbath table and Chanukah money for the children. Nor is it yet another story of immigrants with quaint expressions interspersed. It is a powerful story and well told of a struggle for life and its meaning. The two factors of the family's existence, that of being Jewish and of living in the depression, are intertwined. The Relief Check and the Synagogue are ever present. The difficulty of relating the story as the perception of a young girl is here overcome by the technique of a simultaneously given mature sophisticated interpretation of what is really seen. And it works.

If I were to argue with the author at all, it would be on two points. First, if every time a father gives his son a few blows

the result would be ultimate tragedy, the whole question of global over population would be solved in no time at all. My second point is that if Judaism were to dispose of all dogma, form and ritual one wonders how well it would do.

But these are theological rather than literary questions. "The Heart is Half a Prophet" is a first class novel to be recommended confidently.

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OMJS to Celebrate 25th Anniversary on April 30

Details for the Ottawa Modern Jewish School 25th Anniversary party have been announced by Kurt Orlik's planning committee.

The celebration is to be a cocktail party at the Jewish Community Centre on April 30, 1978. "The idea is to bring together as many of the members and friends of the school, old and new, as possible, and provide them with the right atmosphere to enjoy themselves, renew acquaintances, and make new friends," stated Mr. Orlik.

This social atmosphere is to be set by refreshments prepared by Jack Smith's catering. Music will be provided by the well-known Lady Joan Orchestra playing from 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. There will be a cash bar.

Details on ticket purchase and other news will be released at a later time. Any comments, question, or assistance can be communicated to committee members Kurt Orlik at 233-6256 or Mothe Feldman at 224-6879.

Hillel Academy Students Given Tour of Synagogue

At a special program held at the Machzikei Hadas Synagogue, twenty-one grade two children of the Hillel Academy's West End Branch received their own inscribed Chumashim for the first time.

Rabbi Yaacov Kaploun, Director of Education, presented each child with his Chumash. The children then observed as Rabbi Dr. Reuven P. Bulka and Rabbi Kaploun corrected a fault found in one of the Sifrei Torah. The children were shown the special ink and quill used in the writing of the Torah and had the opportunity to see a letter before and after it was corrected.

The students also responded to questions asked by Rabbi Bulka and made a presentation to him of

a workbook which they had prepared specifically for the celebration.

In addition, Rabbi Bulka guided the children on a tour of the synagogue, explained objects of interest including an "opened" pair of tefillin, a Sefer Torah, the parchment, the Etz Chaim, the crowns, the breastplate and the pointer used when reading the Torah.

Mesdames Susan Greenberg, Mary-Belle Pulvermacher and Shayna Shuster assisted Mrs. Miriam Algom, the classroom teacher, in offering the children refreshments at the end of the ceremony in the foyer of the synagogue. Several parents attended the program.

Mail Box

To the Editor:

Several people have asked me to expand on my recent letter concerning the formation of a new religious group.

I have attended every synagogue in Ottawa and found that none fits my spiritual and intellectual needs. Each one seems mainly interested in largeness, both physical (for bigger and better receptions) and numerical. In my opinion bigness precludes the atmosphere needed for worship.

Furthermore to feed their appetite for bigness every synagogue has resorted to BINGO. I consider this morally unacceptable in a synagogue.

What I wish, then, is the formation of smaller groups where worship, discussion and contact are the sole concern. Where would such a group meet? In peoples' houses or a small rented place. Furthermore such a group would provide its own spiritual leadership. What would the service be like? My own preference would be one centred on the Torah reading. Long periods of formal prayer would be avoided with a subsequent increase in meaningfulness. Women and men would be treated as equals in accordance with the Talmud (Megillah 23a) and the modern acceptance of the meaning of "respect for the congregation". There would be discussions, formal and informal. Hopefully all age groups would be represented.

Of course the group would decide for itself. I would like to see the formation of groups representing the whole spectrum of the community.

Again I would ask those who are interested to send a self-addressed envelope to the undersigned.

Roger Fischler
340 Second Ave
Ottawa K1S 2J2

Israeli Folk Dance Group

A recreational Israeli folk dance group invites adults and students over 17 to join them every Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

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Professional Advisers Committee

Hold Taxation Seminar

On December 14 the Ottawa Jewish Community Endowment and Bequest Foundation held a Seminar for Professionals in Ottawa on the Taxation of Charities and Charitable Donations. The seminar, held at the Jewish Community Centre, was organized by the Professional Advisers Committee of the Foundation under the chairmanship of Arthur B. C. Drache.

The invitation list included accountants, lawyers, trust officers, bankers and administrators of charitable institutions. This seminar was the first significant attempt by the Foundation to reach outside the Jewish Community. While the intent of the day-long exercise was to conduct a professional meeting with knowledgeable panelists on the new legislation, the secondary objective was to expose more professional advisers to the existence of and the aims of the Foundation.

The Seminar was conducted by members of the Professional Advisers Committee on a voluntary basis. There was a registration fee of \$50.00 for each participant which included luncheon, a seminar kit, a copy of the newly published book "Canadian Taxation of Charities and Charitable Donations" by Arthur C. Drache and parking. Costs of the Seminar were fully recovered.

There were 36 paid registrations. This was less than the goal of 50, but the group attending represented a wide range of interests and were an informed and interested audience. There were representatives from various law and accounting firms in the city as well as religious groups and non-profit organizations. There was some disappointment at the few numbers of Jewish accountants and lawyers in the group.

The program for the day was chaired by L. Gerald Levitz of the accounting firm of Ginsberg, Gluzman, Fage and Levitz, and the lecturers were Bernard Shinder of the law firm of Goldberg, Shinder, Shmelzer, Gardner

and Kronick; Stuart D. Levine of the accounting firm of Clarkson and Gordon; Arthur C. Drache, a practicing lawyer (formerly with the Department of Finance and Chairman of the Charities Studies Group of the Department); and Alan Freed of the accounting firm of Coopers & Lybrand. Mr. Shinder in his capacity as president of the Foundation also introduced the day's activities and welcomed all participants.

The seminar was broken into four separate sessions with question periods of approximately one hour before lunch and one hour before the 5:00 p.m. adjournment. Session One conducted by Stuart Levine was an Overview of the Tax Treatment of Charities covering categories, registration, accumulations, expenses, disbursements, reporting and the carrying on of business.

The second segment handled by Arthur Drache covered the Problems of Existing Charities and included carrying on of business, disbursement requirements, fund raising costs, private foundations and out-of-country donations.

After lunch, Alan Freed spoke on Reporting and Record Keeping, and covered the nature of new reporting, what records must be kept, valuation problems and branch accounting. Bernard Shinder's section was titled Tax Planning and Charitable Donations and included discussion of annual gifting, major gifts, estate planning, heritage property, life insurance, annuities and residual interests.

The seminar was deemed to be a success, and was facilitated by the staff of the Jewish Community Council and the use of Centre facilities.

The Professional Advisers of the Foundation was sufficiently encouraged by the results of the seminar to place on its agenda for future activities a possible presentation of the seminar material in some condensed form to various Jewish organizations in the community.

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Here's What's Happening

Sunday, February 5
B'nai B'rith Ottawa Lodge No. 885, Breakfast,
9:30 a.m., J.C.C.
Henrietta Weiss Chapter of Hadassah Telethon,
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Monday, February 6
JIAS-Ottawa Committee Meeting, 7:45 p.m., J.C.C.
Golden Age Group, 1:30 p.m., J.C.C.
B'nai B'rith Parliament Chapter No. 1041 — Fair,
St. Laurent Shopping Centre

Tuesday, February 7
Ottawa Talmud Torah Board Meeting, 8:00 p.m., J.C.C.
B'nai B'rith Parliament Chapter No. 1041 — Fair,
St. Laurent Shopping Centre
Shalom-Ottawa, Channel 12, 9:00 p.m., East End

Wednesday, February 8
Ottawa Vaad Ha'Ir, Officers Meeting, 4:00 p.m., J.C.C.
B'nai B'rith Parliament Chapter No. 1041 — Fair,
St. Laurent Shopping Centre
Kadimah Chapter of ORT meeting, 7:45 p.m. Discussion on
Jewish traditions led by Rabbi Saul Aranov. Information: 521-
1693.

Thursday, February 9
Jewish Social Services Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m., J.C.C.
B'nai B'rith Parliament Chapter No. 1041 — Fair,
St. Laurent Shopping Centre

Friday, February 10
B'nai B'rith Parliament Chapter No. 1041 — Fair,
St. Laurent Shopping Centre

Sunday, February 12
Ottawa Branch of the Canadian Technion Society, Lecture, 8:00
p.m., J.C.C.
Shalom-Ottawa, Channel 12, 5:00 p.m., East and West ends

Monday, February 13
Endowment and Bequest Foundation, Development Committee,
12:15 p.m., J.C.C.
Golden Age Group, 1:30 p.m., J.C.C.

Tuesday, February 14
Ottawa Hadassah-Wizo Council Meeting, 1:15 p.m., J.C.C.
B'nai B'rith Ottawa Lodge No. 885, Executive Meeting,
8:00 p.m., J.C.C.
Congregation Agudath Israel, Board Meeting, 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 15
Soviet Jewry, Group of 35, 10:00 a.m., J.C.C.

Saturday, February 18
Israeli Folk Dance Workshop with Moshiko, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.,
J.C.C. Gymnasium
Dizengoff Square Cafe, 9:00 p.m., Assembly Hall, J.C.C.
Israeli food and entertainment.

Sunday, February 19
Israeli Folk Dance Workshop with Moshiko continues,
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon and 2:30 - 4:30 p.m., J.C.C.

Items for inclusion in the February 17 issue must be called in to
Gert Greenberg at 232-7306 before February 3. The Vaad Ha'Ir
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The Ottawa Talmud Torah Afternoon School seeks a
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Belfast man with capital interested in buying into bus-
iness or partnership in Ottawa. Phone 232-3775.

Teenage volunteers needed, summer program at Ottawa
Civic Hospital. Age minimum 14 years. To apply, phone
725-4279, 7:30 - 3:00.

In the News...

Congratulations and best wishes
are extended to

Bernard Ostry, on his appointment
as Deputy Minister of the
Department of Communications.
He was formerly Secretary-
General of the National Museums
Corporation.

Dr. Sylvia Ostry, on her ap-
pointment as Chairman of the
Economic Council of Canada. She
was formerly Deputy Minister of
the Department of Consumer and
Corporate Affairs.

Dr. Harry Sheffer, Vice-Chairman
of the Defence Research Board, on
his recent retirement.

Dror-Habonim

The annual Dror-Habonim
winter camp took place from
December 24-28 at Camp Ein
Harod, near Ellenville in the heart
of the Catskill Mountains of New
York. For five days the members
participated in winter sports and
seminar activities.

Seminar topics included
discussions on Jewish identity,
Israel, and the upcoming merger
of Dror and Habonim in North
America. Sports activities ranged
from a full day of skiing at one of
the Catskills' famous slopes, to
hockey on the camp rink and in-
door sports in the camp gym.

The cities participating in this
winter camp were Boston, New
York, Toronto, Montreal and
Ottawa. Ottawa sent a contingent
of 25 people. Jim Shalom of
Ottawa was winter camp director.

Aliyah Info



Colonel Zvi Levanon, who has
been based in Montreal for over a
year, serving as Director of the
Israel Aliyah Centre of the
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Thursday, February 15 and 16 to
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Cook Book

The Rochester Hadassah Cook
Book, a hard-cover, brightly
illustrated collection, has recently
been brought to Ottawa under the
auspices of the Negev Chapter of
Hadassah.

In addition to a literate
description of Jewish holidays, the
cook book contains special menus
for the Sabbath as well as for each
important festival and religious
occasion — including a complete
section on Passover dishes.

Of special interest both to
amateur chefs and to those just
starting out in the world of Jewish
cooking and baking is a complete
section on Sephardic dishes.
Another important aspect is a
section on low calorie items.

The book also features a wide-
range listing — from "Appetizers"
to "Vegetables" and an easy-to-
read index.

It can be obtained from Mrs.
Betty Altman (224-8431) at
reasonable cost.

Helpers Available

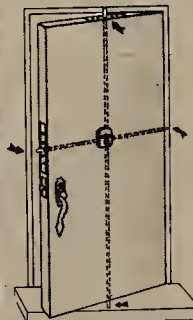
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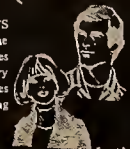


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